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Ten Points Regarding the *Manhaj* of *Ikhwaanul-Muslimeen*

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The noble Shaykh (hafidhahullaah) said:

The definition of *Ikhwaanul-Muslimeen* is: they are those who follow and attach (themselves) to Hasan al-Banaa, and there are some observations upon their *manhaj*, the most important of which follow:

- 1) Carelessness and neglect in regards to *Tawheed al-Tbaadah*, which is the most important thing in Islaam, and the servant's Islaam is not correct except by it.
- 2) Their silence and approval of the people being upon *Shirk al-Akbar* (major *Shirk*); from *du'aa* to other than Allaah, and circumambulation (*tawaaif*) of the graves, and swearing oaths to their inhabitants, and sacrificing by their names, and what is similar to that.
- 3) That verily the founder of this *manhaj* is *soofee*; he has a connection to the *Soofiyyah*; when he took the *bay'ah* from 'Abdul-Wahhaab al-Hasaafee upon his *Hasaafiyyah ash-Shaadhiyyah Tareeqah* (soofee order).
- 4) The presence of innovation amongst them, and their establishing worship by it, rather it is the basis of their *manhaj*. They attest that the Prophet (ﷺ) attends their sittings of *dhikr* and forgives them for what has proceeded from their sins, in their saying:

“The Allaah sent prayers upon the noor [i.e. the Prophet] which appeared

for the ‘aalameen (all that which exists), and out shined the sun and the moon,

this is the beloved [i.e. the Prophet] attending with the beloved

and has forgiven for all that which has passed and taken place.”

- 5) Their call to (establishing) the *khilaafah*, and this is a *bid’ah*, for verily the Messengers and those who followed them were not commanded except with the call to *at-Tawheed*. The Most High said:

وَلَقَدْ بَعَثْنَا فِي كُلِّ أُمَّةٍ رَسُولًا أَنِ اعْبُدُوا اللَّهَ وَاجْتَنِبُوا الطَّاغُوتَ

“And verily, We have sent among every *Ummah* a Messenger (proclaiming): "Worship Allaah (Alone), and avoid *at-Taaghoot* (all false deities and objects of worship).”¹

- 6) The non-existence of *al-walaa’ wal-baraa’* amongst them or its weakness. And they make that clear through their *da’wah* to closeness between [those upon] the Sunnah and the Shee’ah, and the saying of their founder: “*We cooperate [with each other] in that which we agree upon, and we excuse each other in that which we disagree in.*” [-end of quote-]
- 7) Their hatred for *Ahlut-Tawheed*, and the people [who traverse] the path of *Salafiyyah*, and their loathing of them and they make that plain in their statements regarding the country of Saudi Arabia, which was established upon *at-Tawheed*, and teaches *at-Tawheed* in its schools and in its institutions and universities; and from the murder of Jameel ar-Rahmaan al-Afghaanee because he was calling to *at-Tawheed*, and he was one who had schools in which he taught *at-Tawheed*.
- 8) Their scrutiny and pursuit of the mistakes of the rulers, and searching for their shortcomings, whether it is true or a lie, and spreading them amongst the inexperienced youth so as to cause them to hate and loathe them [the rulers] and to fill their hearts with hostility towards them.
- 9) The foul disgusting *hizbiyyah* (blind partisanship and bigotry) which they ascribe to. So they support and have closeness on account of this *hizb* (party), and show enmity and oppose on account of it.

¹ *An-Nahl* (16):36

- 10) Taking the *bay'ah* (oath of allegiance) to work for the *Ikhwaanee manhaj* with the ten conditions which its founder mentioned ², and there are other observations to be made which it is possible that we take them later.

² **TN:** These ten conditions or pillars of the *bay'ah* of *Ikhwaanul-Muslimeen* are mentioned in al-Banaa's *Majmoo'atur-Risaa'il* (p.268), where he says: "O you brothers who are truthful! The pillars of our bay'ah are ten, so memorize and hold on to them: (1) Understanding (2) Sincerity (3) Action (4) *al-Jibaad* (5) self-sacrifice (6) Obedience (7) firmness and strength (8) Impartiality (9) Brotherhood (10) Trust."